

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BOARD OF PHARMACY**

**IN THE MATTER OF  
CARMINE A. DE TOMASIS, RPh**

**Summary Suspension**

The Board of Pharmacy received information regarding Carmine A. DeTomasia, RPh. (hereinafter the "Respondent") employed at Prime Drug, 613 Cranston St., Providence, Rhode Island, concerning areas of the Respondent's pharmacy practice. After conducting an investigation into these areas, the Board of Pharmacy has brought the investigative findings to the attention of the Director of Health.

In accordance with the provisions of R.I.G.L. § 42-35-14, the Director of Health makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law relating to the Respondent's continuation in the practice of Pharmacy.

**Findings of Fact**

1. The Board of Pharmacy conducted an investigation with the United States Food and Drug Administration, Office of Criminal Investigation and the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Rhode Island Attorney General Medicaid Fraud and Patient Abuse Unit.
2. This investigation revealed facts that demonstrate a clear pattern of intentional misconduct by the Respondent in the practice of pharmacy at Prime Drug with regard to buying non-controlled drugs and selling

controlled substances and other therapeutic drugs illegally in violation of Pharmacies Act R.I.G.L. § 5-19.1-21 and the Uniform Substances Act, R.I.G.L. § 28-21-1 et. Seq. and the Food Drug and Cosmetic Act § 21-31 et. Seq.

3. The Respondent has a history of disciplinary actions including a Reprimand and Stayed Suspension by the Rhode Island Board of Pharmacy concerning violations of Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Pharmacists, Pharmacies, and Manufacturers, Wholesalers and Distributors and the Pharmacy Practice Act.
4. The Respondent misconduct, negligence and apparent continued disregard for acceptable standards of pharmacy practice make the Respondent unfit for the continuation in the practice of pharmacy.

### **ORDER**

After considering the findings of the evaluation of the Respondent's professional practice, it has been determined that the continuation in practice of medicine of Carmine A. DeTomasio, RPh.. would constitute an immediate danger to the public. Accordingly, Carmine A. DeTomasio, RPh. is suspended from practicing pharmacy until further Order of the Department of Health. The Respondent's suspension is in accordance with the provisions of R.I.G.L. § 42-35-14. Respondent is entitled to a hearing on the revocation or other administrative action regarding his license.

  
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David R. Gifford, MD, MPH  
Director of Health

5-6-08  
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Date

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that a copy of this **Summary Suspension Order** was sent via hand delivery to the Respondent on this 6th day \_\_\_\_\_ of May, 2008 at the following addresses:

Carmine A. DeTomasio, RPh.  
213 Summit Ave.  
Cranston, RI 02920

Prime Drug  
613 Cranston St.  
Providence, RI 02907

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